



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-2327, **Agenda Item #:** 91.

7/29/2021

Posting Language

Authorize amendments to existing cooperative contracts with Sunbelt Rentals Inc. and United Rentals (North America) Inc., for continued rental of trench safety shoring and pumping equipment, for an increase of \$288,000, and revised total contract amounts not to exceed \$538,000 divided between the contractors.

(Note: This procurement was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9C Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the services required for this procurement, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Austin Water; Homeland Security and Emergency Management; Watershed Protection Department.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$13,750 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Operating Budget of Austin Water. Funding in the amount of \$13,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Operating Budget of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. Funding in the amount of \$12,500 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Operating Budget of the Watershed Protection Department. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

Contract Amendments.

For More Information:

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

July 14, 2021 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Williams absent and two vacancies.

Additional Backup Information:

These contracts are for the rental of trench safety shoring and pumping equipment for Austin Water, Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and the Watershed Protection Department. The availability of trench safety shoring equipment allows the City to mitigate safety risks associated with open excavations by providing

additional equipment while City-owned equipment is deployed at other active jobs. Pumping equipment rentals will be used to dewater open trenches to allow employees to safely work in protected trenches.

The Sourcewell cooperative establishes competitively bid contracts that can be utilized by the State and other government agencies through a cooperative agreement. Cooperative agreements save taxpayer dollars by leveraging volume-buying power to drive down costs on hundreds of contracts through a streamlined cooperative purchasing program.

Additional authorization is needed on these contracts to meet the anticipated demand for the rental services by City departments. Initially, these contracts were developed for the Watershed Protection Department. However, Homeland Security and Emergency Management and Austin Water also identified needs for these rentals. This will ensure a consistent supply of equipment is available for emergency situations.

Contract Detail:

<u>Contract Term</u>	<u>Length of Term</u>	<u>Current Contract Authorization</u>	<u>Requested Additional Authorization</u>	<u>Revised Total Authorization</u>
Initial Term	43 mos.	\$200,000		\$200,000
Proposed Amendment			\$233,000	\$233,000
Optional Extension 1	12 mos.	\$ 50,000	\$ 55,000	\$105,000
TOTAL	55 mos.	\$250,000	\$288,000	\$538,000

Note: Contract Authorization amounts are based on the City's estimated annual usage.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Health and Environment; Safety.